

SHOT

Syphilis Home Observed Treatment

What is SHOT?

SHOT is a program designed to **decrease** Louisiana's high rate of **congenital syphilis** infections by **offering treatment** for syphilis **at home** for individuals (and their sexual partners) who have been diagnosed with syphilis

Who is eligible?

In order to be eligible for SHOT, a person must have a **current syphilis diagnosis** and **not be allergic to penicillin**. After a person has been referred and registered in SHOT, testing and treatment may also be offered to their partner(s).

SHOT helps tackle barriers that may prevent individuals from receiving timely treatment such as:

- Reinfection by untreated sexual partners
- Limited availability to go to a clinic
- Transportation difficulties

How do I refer patients to SHOT?

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